

LOCAL NEWS



MORAVIAN LEAVES ASSOCIATION

Moravian Band Council passed a resolution, February 6, 1973, to withdraw their support from the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians. They submitted their withdrawal by letter which was accepted.

The AIAI was formed in the summer of 1969 at which time it was supported fully by eight reserves who became members by way of passing a resolution in band Council to that effect. The AIAI at that time obtained funds from the Federal Government on a per capita basis according to the number of people they represented which was approximately 20,000. Presently the Association does not operate on this basis but receives outright government grants.

Chief Councillor John Peters of Moravian reserve near Thamesville, said, "Our main reason for withdrawing our support from the AIAI is because they will not agree to join with any organization for the purpose of corps funding."

Chief Peters also said that recently they became aware that the main reason in forming the AIAI was to implement the origin of the Cultural Centre at the Mohawk Institute. He said that in passing the resolution to withdraw from the AIAI, it was the opinion of the whole council that they did not agree with the policies; they felt that in looking to the future of their reserve, the action would be beneficial and that is where their main concern lies.

Therefore, they have decided to put their support elsewhere. Moravian Band Council consists of four councillors and one Chief Councillor.

COUNCIL TO STUDY GLEBE PROPERTY

Ohsweken: Don Borton, Superintendent of Brantford District Indian Office told Six Nations Council on Tuesday, March 20th that Murray V. Jones and Associates has requested a meeting with Council for April 5th to discuss the \$14,200 study now underway for the Glebe Property in Brantford.

Chief Councillor Richard Isaac said the purpose of the meeting is to review the findings that the firm has to date.

Brantford City Council wants to meet with Six Nations Council to discuss plans to put the Brantford Expressway across a portion of the 98 acres of the Glebe property.

So far Band Council has declined to meet with representatives of the City until the feasibility study is completed.

The Glebe property is now mainly a corn field but was set aside by Hereditary Chiefs for religious institutions such as the Mohawk Chapel.

ASSOCIATION MEETS

Brantford: The Board of Directors of the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians met Sunday, March 18th at the Mohawk Institute at which time they discussed Taxation of non-Indian interests on Indian reserves.

A working committee made of representatives from the AIAI, Union of Ontario Indians and Grand Council Treaty #3, had met

after consulting with the Ministry of Transportation and Communi-